February 3, 1969

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## Dear Dick:

I share your concern over the problem of the leaking of classified information to the press. The case which you described was particularly distressing. I don't know what compels people to do this.

Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

Sincerely,

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Henry A. Kissinger

Honorable Richard Helms Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.

JCS review completed.

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February 22, 1969

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A EMORANDUM FOR:

Secretary of State

Secretary of Defense

Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Henry A. Elssinger |

SUBJECT:

Increased Flow of Military Traffic over the Autobahn To and From West Berlin

The President has asked that the U.S. Government consider measures to increase the flow of military traffic over the Autobahn to and from West Berlin. The increase in military traffic would follow normal convoy procedures and should not include extraordinary military measures which might raise procedural issues.

It is requested that a plan be developed within the regular interdepartmental framework responsible for Berlin plans and operations. The plan should include: (a) recommendations for specific measures designed to increase the flow of military traffic to and from Berlin; (b) proposed public statements which might be used in the event this action creates public interest; and (c) any additional measures which might be readied to manifest U.S. intent to maintain access rights to and from Berlin. In conjunction with (a) above, your analysis of the desirability of such action is desired, together with your views on how the proposed action should be handled with Allied Governments.

It is requested that the above plan be submitted to the President through the Assistant for National Security Affairs by the close of business March 3, 1969.

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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